



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Leo A. Whiteside

Group Art Unit: 3738

Serial No.: 09/595,352

Examiner: Bruce Edward Snow

Filed: June 15, 2000

Docket No.: WBC 7403US

For: ACETABULAR COMPONENT WITH IMPROVED LINEAR SEAL AND LOCK

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for response to the outstanding Official Action mailed November 6, 2001. The period for response was previously set to elapse February 6, 2002, and is accordingly hereby extended to May 6, 2002, which is still within the six-month statutory period for response (35 U.S.C. §133) which elapses May 6, 2002. The reason for this petition is as follows:


- ☒ A response to the outstanding Official Action is being filed herewith.
- ☐ It is expected that a response to the outstanding Official Action will be filed within the extending period for response;
- ☐ A Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 C.F.R. §1,191) is being filed herewith;
- ☐ It is expected that a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 C.F.R. §1.191) will be filed within the extended period for response;
- ☐ A Division, Continuation, or Continuation-In-Part is being filed, and it is desired to maintain the present application in pending condition pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 through at least the filing date of the Division, Continuation, or Continuation-In-Part application.

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3. Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. §1.9(f)) in this application:

☒ Has been established by a Verified Statement or Declaration filed.

4. The required fee as established by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a), (b), (c) or (d) pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §41(a)(8) is:

| | Small Entity | Other than Small Entity |
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| First Month | <input type="checkbox"/> \$55.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$110.00 |
| Second Month | <input type="checkbox"/> \$200.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$400.00 |
| Third Month | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$460.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$920.00 |
| Fourth Month | <input type="checkbox"/> \$720.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,440.00 |
| Fifth Month | <input type="checkbox"/> \$980.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,960.00 |

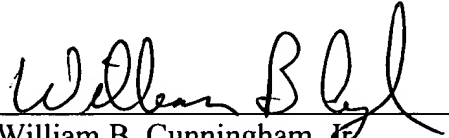
5. The above fee is:

☒ Enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17, which may be required to Deposit Account No. 162201. *Duplicates of this sheet are enclosed.*

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 1, 2002



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